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FOR LONDON: FOR COUNSELOR SONNENFELT
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FOLLOWING REPEAT ROME 15060 SENT SECSTATE DATED OCT 31

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 15060

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)
SUBJECT: SECSTATE VISIT ROME - CONSULTATIONS WITH GOI

DEPARTMENT PASS SECRETARY'S PARTY

1. ADVISERS CLOSE TO PRESIDENT LEONE, PRIME MINISTER RUMOR AND FOREIGN MINISTER MORO HAVE GIVEN US THE FOLLOWING EXPECTATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE SUBJECT MATTER TO BE RAISED BY THE ITALIAN SIDE DURING THE SECRETARY'S ROME VISIT.

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2. PRESIDENT LEONE:

AMBASSADOR SENSI'S PERSONAL EXPECTATION IS THAT THE CONSULTATIONS WILL BE A CONTINUATION OF THE CONVERSATIONS HELD IN WASHINGTON. HE DOES NOT FORESEE TIME FOR THE DISCUSSION OF SPECIFIC INDIVIDUAL PROBLEMS. THE PRESIDENT WILL MOST PROBABLY ASK FOR THE SECRETARY'S IMPRESSIONS HE HAS RECEIVED IN MOSCOW AND THE OTHER CAPITALS VISITED. OTHER ITEMS MIGHT CONCERN ECONOMIC, ENERGY, AND MONETARY POLICIES, AND NATO.

3. PRIME MINISTER RUMOR:

DIPLOMATIC ADVISER PETRIGNANI DOES NOT EXPECT RUMOR TO RAISE SPECIFIC MATTERS. THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD APPRECIATE A REVIEW OF THE GENERAL SITUATION BUT PARTICULARLY AS REGARDS EUROPE AND THE MEDITERRANEAN, WHICH ARE OF PRIMARY IMPORTANCE TO ITALY. THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BRIEFING THE SECRETARY MAY OFFER.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER MORO:

AMBASSADOR DUCCI (DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS) NOTED THAT HE HAD NOT DISCUSSED THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S INTENTIONS WITH MORO PERSONALLY BUT FELT THAT MORO WOULD WISH TO HAVE THE SECRETARY'S IMPRESSIONS RECEIVED IN MOSCOW AND IN THE BALKANS. ITALY HAS PARTICULAR INTERESTS IN BELGRADE AND IN BUCHAREST. DUCCI EXPECTS THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO SHOW INTEREST IN THE SECRETARY'S ASSESSMENT OF THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM IN THE WAKE OF THE RABAT ARAB SUMMIT MEETING. VOLPE UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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